

TIPS

For before and after The ICPM Sunday Lunch

“For I was thirsty
and you gave me drink.
I was hungry and you fed me.
I was a stranger
and you welcomed me...
whatever you did
for the ones
who needed it most,

you did for Me.

Matthew 25: 35, 40

OUR MISSION

Inner City Pastoral Ministry is an interdenominational Christian ministry of presence. In partnership with the community, and guided by the Spirit of God, we walk with the people of Edmonton’s Inner City.

OUR PARTNERS

ICPM, together with people from many different faith and community groups, offers bag lunches to members of the Boyle/McCauley area every Sunday morning of the year. We are deeply grateful

for your participation in this ministry, which allows us to connect with those who might never darken the door of a traditional house of worship.

EXPANDING OUR CIRCLE OF FRIENDS

As a valued partner in our ministry, you have an important role to play in increasing your community’s awareness of its outreach activity through ICPM. This brochure provides some useful TIPS which we invite you to implement.



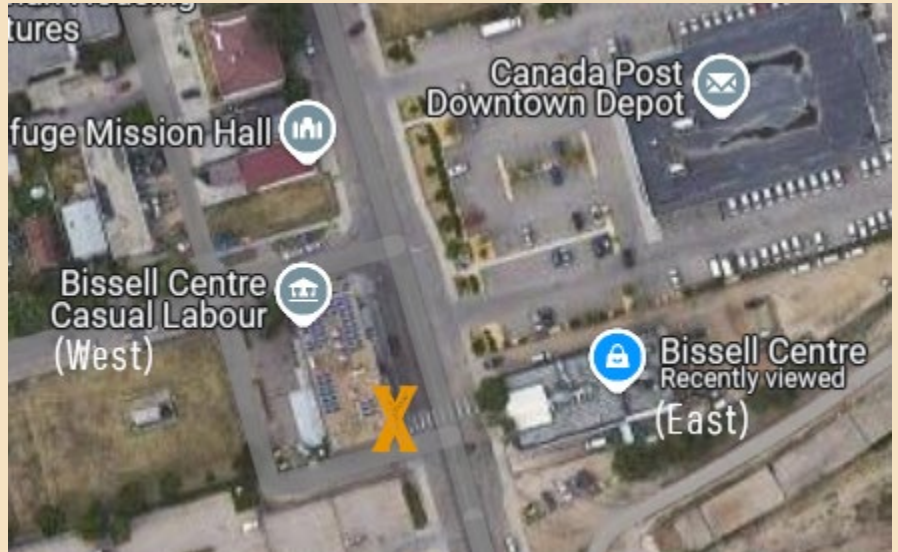
PRE-EVENT TIPS

- Read the information you've been sent and pass it along to the appropriate committee(s).
- Announce your community participation in your newsletter/bulletin.
- Arrange to have prayers said for all involved in the ministry on the day that you participate with ICPM.
- If you are a new contact person, we encourage you to attend a Sunday lunch prior to your serving date to see how things work.
- On the Sunday your community is participating, send 2-4 volunteers to participate in worship and help hand out lunches. Say hello, make eye contact, and listen to what the people of the inner city have to say.

POST-EVENT TIPS

- Post the Thank You letter that you will receive from ICPM where your community will see it.
- Reflect on the experience of partnering with ICPM. What future actions would your community like to pursue as a result?
- Write up a short reflection about your experience to share in your community newsletter/bulletin.
- Consider regularly supporting ICPM as a charitable organization.
- Invite new people into the lunch experience each time.
- Subscribe as a community/individual to the ICPM Newsletter, *Straight from the Street* (see website).
- Invite a member of the ICPM team as a guest speaker.
- Encourage your Outreach or Social Justice Committee to take an ongoing interest in ICPM and its work.
- Involve your youth. Invite your youth leader to organize a special project on poverty and homelessness.
- Visit the ICPM website and read the articles available there.
- Donate grocery cards/treats for our annual Christmas gift bag project.
- Hold a winter clothing collection for gloves, socks, and long underwear.
- Hold a summer clothing drive for socks and men's/women's briefs.
- Hold a toiletries collection weekend for toothbrushes, small toothpastes, shampoos, lotions, lip balms, razors, small shaving creams, soaps, pads/tampons, etc.

Please deliver food to the front (east-facing) door of Bissell West, 10530 96 Street NW. Parking may be available at the back of Bissell West, or on the street.



Thank you for being part of the icpm family!